



## **Socioeconomic Psychological Causes and Consequences of Domestic Violence against Women: A Sociological Study Based On Sandilipay Divisional Secretariat Division**

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### **Abstract**

Women's social, economic and psychological problems are among today's most crucial global problems. Domestic violence is prominent among these issues. Today, the impact of this domestic violence is becoming a massive problem in the community beyond families. The study's main objective was to examine the causes and effects of domestic violence against women and make suggestions and proposals for its prevention. A mixed-method approach was used in this study. The first stages were questionnaire, interview, direct observation, critical informant interview, and case study; as secondary data, information related to domestic violence was obtained from Divisional Secretariat and District Secretariat reports, magazines, books and websites. The study was conducted using the snowball sampling method. The data were collected using a sample of 100 people centered in the Sandilipay Divisional Secretariat Division. Qualitative data were analyzed based on thematic analysis, and quantitative data were analyzed using descriptive statistics (SPSS). Based on the analysis of the study, 22% of married couples were subjected to domestic violence during the period 2010-2018, and 77% were Hindus. Regarding age, 27% of domestic violence victims are in the age group of 31-35 years, 71% are with secondary education, 19% are wage earners, and 42% of these families earn between 25 001 - 30 000. 47% said domestic violence is a fight between people in the house. Twenty-eight women who reported experiencing domestic economic violence reported two or three challenges. Regarding coping with financial challenges, 20% took help from parents and siblings, 19% engaged in activities like the lottery, and 14% took loans as a mechanism. 4% responded that they had been subjected to sexual violence, and 30% indicated that they had been forced to have sex while ill. 34% of women said that they do not participate in social events due to domestic violence. More than 30% have complained to the Divisional Secretariat depending on this method. 67% responded that house honour would be affected, and 14% of women would cope with it because of their husbands. Therefore, the study has identified the social, economic and psychological causes of domestic violence against women and its consequences and suggests suggestions for reducing domestic violence.

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